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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER
SUBJECT: Actions On Cambodia

The following is a report on actions taken or under way on Cambodia from January 19 through 12 midnight January 25.

Military Operations:

--Ground. Sporadic enemy harassment and combat activity continued throughout most of the country during the week. On January 22, FANK/RVNAF units engaged in Operation CUU LONG 44/02 linked up in the Pich Nil Pass opening Route 4 between Kompong Som and Phnom Penh. Results of this operation include 381 enemy KIA, 6 detained, and 25 friendly KIA plus 187 WIA. Two resupply convoys via the Mekong completed round trips to Phnom Penh from RVN during the week with light attacks en route. On January 22, a mortar/sapper attack against the Phnom Penh Airfield inflicted major damage to AVNK aircraft and facilities.

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State, Army,
OSD, JCS
reviews completed

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Third Country Military Forces In Cambodia

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--Training. Eight thousand two hundred and ninety Cambodians are now training in RVN [redacted] A total of 37 Cambodian personnel completed 25X1 courses of training during the reporting period.

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-- Replacement of Cambodian Aircraft Losses. State reports that we have instructed Embassy Phnom Penh to advise Lon Nol that we will replace, within the existing MAP framework, the aircraft capability destroyed in the attack on Pochentong.

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-- Aftermath of Airport Attack. State reports that first telegrams from our Embassy in Phnom Penh since the successful enemy attack on Pochentong Airport suggest that the attack has had no major depressing effect on Cambodian morale. There is a degree of apprehension and concern, and some dissatisfaction with the government and armed forces over the ease with which the attack was carried out, and there may be pressures leading to some personnel changes among senior FANK officers. On the other hand, Cambodians still appear to have confidence in their own staying power and ability eventually to prevail. On the day of the attack, in a meeting with Ambassador Swank, Lon Nol was somber and somewhat shaken, but by January 25 when the Ambassador again saw him together with Sirik Matak the Prime Minister was again exhibiting his usual confidence. He had just received a student delegation asking for strong countermeasures, and was fairly sanguine about controlling enemy activity in and around Phnom Penh. Sirik Matak noted that the GKR is anxious to begin talks on economic aid. (We expect to do so about February 1.) The two agreed that while the populace in Phnom Penh is more apprehensive there has been no weakening in public resolve.

-- Visit to Saigon. State reports that Lon Nol's visit last week to Saigon apparently went well, although reports available so far indicate that there was relatively little substantive discussion between Lon Nol and Thieu. The Cambodian Foreign Minister remained behind to sign five agreements reached earlier on economic matters, and Lon Nol and Thieu apparently agreed to postpone the questions of Cambodian payment for SVN military operations, Cambodian claims to French-Indochina assets, and an exchange rate between the two countries' currencies. Understandings were reached on the status of Vietnamese refugees from Cambodia, the desirability of establishing ad hoc joint commissions to investigate alleged troop misbehavior, and improved liaison between FANK and ARVN units operating in Cambodia.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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January 26, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Weekly Report on Cambodia No. 23

Third Country Assistance to Cambodia

1. U.S. Support for Indonesian Training. Ambassador Galbraith has conveyed to Suharto our willingness to help with the cost of an Indonesian training program for Cambodian officers (by financing transportation, training devices, and individual equipment for the trainees, but not pay or subsistence). Suharto promised to have his staff provide further details of Indonesian plans. He also indicated obliquely that the Indonesian Ambassador to Cambodia was "confused" in seeking payment from the GKR for the Indonesian AK-47's which we procured.

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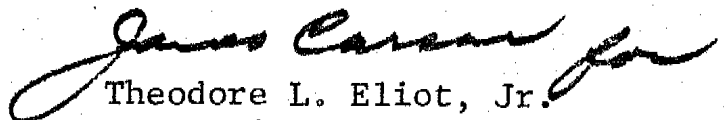
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Executive Secretary

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

26 JAN 1971

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INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS
ATTN: MR. HERBERT LEVIN

SUBJECT: Weekly Report - Cambodia

Attached is the subject report requested in your August 15, 1970 memorandum.

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Report

cc: SecDef
DepSecDef
C/JCS

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REP ON CAMBODIA, WEEK ENDING 25 JANUARY 1971

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c/ Reflects AVNK air activity for five days.

d/ On loan.

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